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SUBJ: POLICE ARREST MAJOR CHINESE TRAFFICKERS IN BANGKOK

- 1. POLICE FROM THE POLICE NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION CENTER (PNSC) ARRESTED THREE MAJOR NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS AND THEIR DRIVER ON JUNE 7, AND SEIZED 1.4 KILOGRAMS OF #4 HEROIN. ACTING ON INSIDE INFORMATION POLICE ARRESTED THE MEN AS THEY WERE DELIVERING THE HEROIN TO A RENDEZVOUS IN FRONT OF A RESTAURANT IN SIAM SQUARE, BANGKOK.
- 2. THE TRAFFICKERS, ALL ETHNIC CHINESE, WERE IDENTIFIED AS UDOM CHONGRACHEN, CHUMSAP KUNNARANATWANIT, AND HUI SAE CHENG. THEIR DRIVER, A THAI, WAS IDENTIFIED AS WICHAI HONGSAWAT. BOTH UDOM AND HUI OWN TRAWLERS IN SAMUT SAKHON PROVINCE SOUTH OF BANGKOK, AND THE PNSC BELIEVES THAT THEY WERE INVOLVED IN THE TRAWLER TRADE DURING ITS HEYDAY IN THE EARLY 70'S. UDOM APPARENTLY MADE NO SECRET OF HIS LONGTIME INVOLVEMENT IN NARCOTICS WHEN POLICE QUESTIONED HIM, AND HE INDICATED THAT HE FEELS HIS "CONNECTIONS" WILL KEEP HIM OUT OF TROUBLE. (HE IS AN ASSOCIATE OF FORMER POLICE CHIEF GEN. (RETIRED) PRASOET RUCHIRAWONG). CHUMSAP IS THE OWNER OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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A GOLD SHIP IN CHINATOWN, A COMMON FRONT FOR NARCOTICS TRAFFICKERS IN BANGKOK. WHITEHOUSE

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